

January 9, 2024, Regular Board Meeting

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Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 4:00 p.m., Chairperson Mark Stauber called the meeting to order. The meeting was held in the Board of Commissioners Room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken with the following members present; Chairperson Mark Stauber, Commissioner Jacob Conery, Ean Bruette, Mike Stafford, and Patti Peretto

Also present: Administrator Lynette Lorenz, Administrative Assistant Mary Dalpra, Sheriff Ryan Boehmke, Undersheriff Bob Reid, Treasurer Melanie Camps, Deputy Treasurer Jennifer Curtis, Civil Counsel Steve Tinti, Clerk/Register Amy Donati.

Approval of the Minutes: Moved by Stafford, supported by Conery, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on December 12, 2023.

Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Approval of the Agenda: Moved by Conery, supported by Peretto, to approve the agenda with the addition of 906 Technologies hardware request.

Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Public Comments Regarding Agenda Items Only (3 minutes max.)

Stauber called for Public Comment three times, with no comments voiced.

Monthly Financials:

Moved by Stafford, supported by Conery, to approve the monthly payables for December in the amount of \$1,999,166.01, and payroll for December in the amount of \$477,758.47.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Bruette, Conery, Stafford, Peretto, Stauber

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Stafford, supported by Bruette, to approve journal entries 20359 through 20538 for November in the amount of \$4,287,875.08, submitted by Treasurer Melanie Camps, 55 of which are administratively approved budget amendments in the amount of \$2,350,704.00.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Conery, Stafford, Bruette, Peretto, Stauber

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Commissioner Reports:

Stauber: None currently.

Stafford: Reported that the former Health Department building in Iron River is currently for sale. And an open house is scheduled for potential buyers.

Conery: None currently

Bruette: None currently

Peretto: None currently

Moved by Conery, supported by Bruette, to approve Commissioner Reports. Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Department Reports:

Treasurer Melaine Camps reported on the interest gained on current County accounts.

Gerold Williams from the Veterans Service Office reported the number of veterans and services that were provided in the year 2023.

Civil Counsel Steve Tinti updated the County Commissioners on Tax Foreclosure filings.

Clerk/Register reported on new staff in the Clerk's office and the upcoming Presidential Election.

Moved by Conery, supported by Bruette, to approve the Department Reports. Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Old Business:

Northpointe: Resolution to reaffirm the Northpointe Behavioral Healthcare Authority. **Moved by Conery, supported by Stafford, to table. No further action was taken.**

**Roll call vote: Ayes: Peretto, Stafford, Bruette, Conery, Stauber
Nays: None**

Motion carried.

2024 Iron County Visitor Guide advertising. **Moved by Peretto, supported by Conery, to pay for a half page advertisement in the Iron County Visitor Guide.**

**Roll call vote: Ayes: Stafford, Bruette, Conery, Peretto, Stauber
Nays: None**

Motion carried.

Medical Director Contract with Dickinson County. **Moved by Peretto, supported by Stafford to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Medical Examiner Services between Dickinson County and Iron County, with the effective date of January 9, 2024.**

**Roll Call vote: Ayes: Bruette, Conery, Peretto, Stafford, Stauber
Nays: None**

Motion carried.

New Business:

Appointments

Iron County Housing Commission, 1 vacancy for a 5 year term. **Moved by Stafford, supported by Conery, to approve Dona Heikkinen to the Housing Commission board for a five year term. Voice Vote, all in favor, motion carried.**

Parks and Recreation Commission, 3 vacancies for 3 year terms. Zero applications were submitted; no action was taken.

Authority on Aging Boards, 4 vacancies for 3 year terms. Zero applications were submitted; no action was taken.

Budget Amendments:

Sheriff Department increased vehicle replacement expenses to \$11,700.00. **Moved by Peretto, supported by Stafford to increase by \$11,700.00 the Sheriff's Department 2024 budget for the purchase of a vehicle with the approval to process a check in that exact amount on January 10, 2024.**

**Roll Call vote: Ayes: Peretto, Stafford, Bruette, Conery, Stauber
Nays: None**

Motion carried.

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MSU: Paul Putnam, District Director: Anne Kretschmann, Iron County 4H Coordinator updated the County Board on the current participation numbers for 4H. Kretschmann also updated the County Board on what activities 4H members are involved in and how they are focusing on building strong leaders in the community. Also, Greg Scott from the Youth Shooting Club reported that Iron County currently has 25 youth members in the Club. He informed the board on how the Shooting Club educates its members on proper gun safety and responsible gun handling. Paul Putnam, District Director of MSU Extension updated the County Board on current programs the MSU extension offers and current funding. No action was taken.

Treasurer office vacancies, Accounting Clerk

Moved by Conery, supported by Bruette to approve the posting/hiring of an Accounting Clerk effective January 9, 2024.

Voice Vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Many Waters DASH Permit.

Moved by Peretto, supported by Stafford to give Many Waters the authority to Apply for the EGLE permit.

Voice Vote, all in favor, motion carried.

2024 Board of Commissioners Assignments:

Discussion was had on current assignments. No action was taken.

2024 Iron County Lakes & Streams Partnership:

Moved by Peretto, supported by Conery to renew the Annual membership Enrollment.

Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

906 Technologies Server Estimate:

Moved by Stafford, supported by Peretto to approve the purchase of a new server from 906 Technologies in the amount of \$11,113.61 from ARPA Funds.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Bruette, Conery, Peretto, Stafford, Stauber

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Stauber called for Public Comment three times, with no comments voiced.

Announcements: The next regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners is Tuesday, February 13, 2024.

Motion to Adjourn: Moved by Conery, supported by Bruette, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Chairperson, Mark Stauber

Clerk/Register, Amy Donati